

VETERIANARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR EXPORT OF HORSES TO AUSTRALIA

IMPORT PERMIT NUMBER:

EXPORTING COUNTRY: **United States of America**

CERTIFYING AUTHORITY: **United States Department of Agriculture**

REGION/DISTRICT/PROVINCE/STATE:

I. IDENTIFICATION OF THE ANIMAL

Name	Tattoo/Brand	Breed	Sex	Age
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II. ORIGIN OF THE ANIMAL

Name and address of exporter:

Place of origin of the animal:

Name and address of approved pre-export quarantine (PEQ) premises:

III. DESTINATION OF THE ANIMAL

Name and address of consignee:

Mode and identification of transportation:

IV. SANITARY INFORMATION

I,..... (name), being an official veterinarian authorised by the United States government to perform animal health inspections and certification in conformity with the provisions of the OIE code, hereby certify in respect of the above animal and consignment, that:

1. So far as can be determined the horse was continuously resident for the 2 months immediately prior to export, or since importation from Australia:

- in the United States of America where:
 - African horse sickness, contagious equine metritis, dourine, surra, glanders, vesicular stomatitis and Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis are compulsorily notifiable, AND
 - vaccination against African horse sickness has not been practised in the last 12 months,
- in part of the territory of the United States of America in which:
 - no case of African horse sickness, contagious equine metritis, dourine, glanders, Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis or vesicular stomatitis has occurred during the past 2 years, AND

- no case of Borna disease or surra has been reported in equines during the past 12 months
- in an establishment or establishments in which no case of
 - epizootic lymphangitis
 - equine ehrlichiosis (*Ehrlichia risticii* and *Ehrlichia equi*)
 - equine infectious anaemia
 - equine influenza
 - equine viral abortion
 - equine viral arteritis
 - equine piroplasmosis
 - horse pox
 - Japanese encephalitis
 - equine encephalomyelitis
 - Lyme disease
 - rabies
 - *Taylorella asinigenitalis*
 - or any other notifiable disease of equines has occurred during the previous three (3) months.

(Note: equine viral abortion means disease due to infection with equine herpesvirus type 1 and includes central nervous disease)

2. So far as can be determined the horse is not known to have ever been infected with *Taylorella equigenitalis* and has not been mated with another horse known to have been infected with *Taylorella equigenitalis*.

3. During the 12 months before PEQ, the horse was vaccinated against **West Nile virus** using an approved, inactivated vaccine according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

4. During the 12 months before PEQ, the horse was vaccinated against **equine encephalomyelitis (Eastern and Western)** using an approved vaccine.

5. During the 4 months before the pre-export quarantine (PEQ) period, the horse was vaccinated against **equine influenza**, using an approved inactivated vaccine, either twice, as a primary course, or once as a booster to a certified primary course according to the manufacturer's recommendation.

6. So far as can be determined the horse has not been vaccinated for **Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis** during the 60 days prior to export. Any previous vaccinations used an approved, inactivated vaccine.

7. The horse received no vaccinations during the 21 day PEQ.

8. If the horse is female, she is:

. not pregnant

OR

. pregnant, (pregnancy is of less than 7 months duration at the time of export)

(delete option which does not apply)

9. *Taylorella asinigenitalis*

(This clause does not apply to geldings or horses less than 730 days old at the time of export to Australia).

- During the 60 days prior to export, the horse was tested for *Taylorella asinigenitalis*, with negative results, by:
 - culture of samples collected on three occasions, at intervals of 5 to 9 days
.....(date)
.....(date)
..... (date)
 - taken from:
 - **colts and stallions:** penile sheath, the urethra and the urethral sinus**OR**
 - **fillies and mares:** the clitoral fossa including the clitoral sinuses
and on one occasion during oestrus from the endometrium or deep cervix
- The horse was not mated by natural service after collection of the first samples for testing.
- Samples were cultured at a USDA approved laboratory.

10. Equine viral arteritis (EVA)

In the case of an uncastrated male horse.

EITHER

So far as can be determined, on the basis of relevant laboratory reports and vaccination certificates, the horse has been tested for EVA with negative results using an approved test, and subsequently vaccinated against EVA with an approved vaccine.

Date blood drawn:..... Result:.....

Date(s) of vaccination:.....;;

OR

During the 60 days prior to export the horse was tested negative for EVA by:

- a serum neutralisation test
Date blood drawn:..... Result:.....

OR

- a virus isolation test on two semen samples at an approved laboratory
Date of collection of first semen sample:..... Result:.....
Date of collection of second semen sample:..... Result:.....
Note: semen samples can be collected on the same day or on consecutive days or after an interval of several days

11. The horse was held in **PEQ** premises which comply with standards set by AQIS, and which were approved by a USDA official veterinarian for holding horses for export to Australia, for a minimum period of **21 days** prior to export.

Date PEQ commenced:.....

12. The horse was thoroughly examined by an official veterinarian, or under direct supervision of an official veterinarian, on arrival into PEQ and found to be free of **ticks**.

(Note: A systematic approach should be taken with close examination of ears, false nostrils, under body areas (axillary, inguinal, submandibular), perineum, mane and tail.)

Where a horse in the consignment was found to have ticks at this examination, **all horses** in the PEQ premises were immediately treated with a parasiticide effective against ticks.

Date of examination:.....

Date of treatment (if necessary):.....

13. During the PEQ period:

- the horse was tested, with negative results, for:
 - **equine infectious anaemia** by a Coggins (AGID) test or a approved ELISA test
date sample drawn:.....
test type:.....
result:.....
 - **piroplasmosis** (*Babesia equi* and *Babesia caballi*) by IFAT
Date sample drawn:..... result:.....
 - **vesicular stomatitis** by serum neutralisation, complement fixation or competitive ELISA test for both New Jersey and Indiana strains
date sample drawn:.....
test type:.....
result: New Jersey Indiana.....

All testing was undertaken at USDA approved laboratories.

- The horse was treated with a broad spectrum parasiticide effective against ticks, according to the manufacturer's recommendations within 7 to 2 days prior to shipment unless already treated.
active ingredient:.....
concentration:.....
date treated:.....
- The horse was treated with a broad spectrum anthelmintic
active ingredients:.....
concentration:.....
date treated:.....
- All horses in the pre-export quarantine premises remained free from evidence of infectious or contagious disease, and had no contact with equines not of the same health status.

Note: Unweaned foals under 6 months of age and travelling with their dams are not required to be vaccinated for equine influenza, equine encephalomyelitis or West Nile virus, nor to be tested for Taylorella asinigenitalis, EVA, EIA, piroplasmosis and vesicular stomatitis. Foals must be treated for ectoparasites and endoparasites.

14. The horse was examined by an official veterinarian within 24 hours prior to leaving the PEQ premises for the port of export and was found to be free from evidence of infectious or contagious disease and external parasites and fit to travel.

15. The vehicle for the transport of the horse to the port of export was cleaned and disinfected prior to loading this and other animal of the same consignment.

16. During transport to the port of export the horse had no contact with equines not of the same certified health status.

17. The compartment of the aircraft or vessel to be occupied by the horse and all removable equipment, penning and containers including loading ramps were satisfactorily cleaned and disinfected prior to loading.

18. At the time of loading the horse was healthy and fit to travel.

Signature of Accredited Veterinarian:	Signature of Endorsing Federal Veterinarian:
Name:	Name:
Position:	Position:
Address:	Address:

Official Stamp
